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[ACHTMANN] QUESTIONED HOW WALDHEIM COULD ALREADY BE BACK IN DIPLOMATIC SERVICE AT A TIME WHEN GENERAL VON PANNWITZ WAS EXECUTED IN MOSCOW.

4. IN ADDITION, [ACHTMANN] CLAIMS TO HAVE TALKED TO AN UNIDENTIFIED WITNESS WHO SAID THAT WALDHEIM "DISAPPEARED" FOR TWO WEEKS WHILE COMMANDING ONE OF THE SPECIAL GERMAN UNITS THAT OPERATED BEHIND SOVIET LINES DURING WORLD WAR II. THE WITNESS ALSO SAID THAT WALDHEIM WAS CAPTURED BY THE SOVIETS, BUT WAS THEN RELEASED. AS A CONSEQUENCE, [ACHTMANN] CONCLUDES WALDHEIM HAS NEVER FORGOTTEN WHAT THE SOVIETS HAD DONE FOR HIM, AND THIS WOULD EXPLAIN HIS LENIENCE TOWARD THE USSR.

5. IF THERE IS ANY INTEREST IN THE [XEROX] COPY OF THE 10X7 PHOTOGRAPH, PLEASE ADVISE AND WE WILL FORWARD. OUR SOURCE IS UNABLE TO COMMENT FURTHER ON THE FOREGOING INFORMATION. HE APPARENTLY MET [ACHTMANN] SEVERAL YEARS AGO WHILE IN [REDACTED] FOR DISCUSSIONS ABOUT HAVING A GERMAN LANGUAGE EDITION OF HIS BOOK PUBLISHED IN AUSTRIA. [ACHTMANN] RESIDES AT [REDACTED] BERLIN 47, WALTER-
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6. FILE: [REDACTED]
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